MAINE EMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2002

Member Present: B. Davis, P. Marcolini (Chairman), S. Shapleigh, D. Gilman, J. Caron, R. Petrie, D. Palladino, B. Zito, P. Plumer

Absent: C. Boehm, P. Conley, K. Pomelow, J. Partridge, L. Delano, G. Miller, D. Boucher

Guests:

Timekeeper: S. Shapleigh Scribe: D. Corning

Meeting Opened at: 0915

TOPIC

DISCUSSION/ACTIONS TAKEN

- 1. Introductions 1. No introductions were necessary.
- 2. Additions to Agenda 2. Additions to Agenda:
 - a. MJ Parks I/C application
 - b. Perry Jackson I/C application
 - c. New Spinal Assessment Protocol

- 3. Ratification of Minutes
- 3. Previous minutes were not reviewed.

4. Staff Report

4. Dwight reported on recent actions and discussions at the Operations Team, including the topics of Criteria for Course Approval, New Protocols, EMS-C Grant, AVOC Bill, MTSC Conference, Terrorism and Disaster Planning Conference, GEA Hearing, and EMS/TC Task Force. The Operations Team has decided not to push ahead for an EMS/TC Task Force meeting at this time, and will propose that we not meet again until needs dictate.

- 5. Old Business
 - a. EMT-I Program & EMT-P Bridge Program
- 5.
- a. Dwight reported on the work he has completed to date on updating the objectives for the Maine EMS EMT-I program by drawing from the NSC EMT-P and EMT-I objectives. It was discussed, in general terms, that the goal was to end up with a MEMS EMT-I program based on NSC EMT-P objectives, and the remaining NSC EMT-P objectives would essentially become the MEMS EMT-P Bridge Program.

FUTURE ACTION

- 1. No action items necessary.
- 2. No action items necessary.
- 3. No action items necessary.
- 4. No action items necessary.

- 5.
- a. **Dwight** to continue working on the objectives and didactic material for the MEMS EMT-I and EMT-P Bridge Course.

The objectives that are being selected for the MEMS EMT-I course are being selected based on the content of our current EMT-I program. No new material is being added and no present material is being removed. Once the objectives are selected and the corresponding didactic material assigned, it may be necessary to review the length of the program and determine if hours or objectives need to be adjusted in any way.

Dwight reported that based on other commitments in the next 30 days, this objectives document would not be completed by the date of our March meeting, so a decision was made to not meet again until April.

6. New Business

a. Mary Jane Parks: I/C application.

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 - a. Mary Jane Parks: MJ reapplied to become a MEMS Level III I/C. MJ has a significant amount of educational experience, but none of it was in adult education. In her previous application she had requested a waiver from the MEMS I/C Course, based on her training and experience but this committee rejected her request due to a lack of support from her regional education committee. Since that time she has completed a seminar on Adult Ed topics, and has the support of her regional education committee and the Regional Coordinator. The committee approved her application as a Level III I/C.
- 6.
 - a. **Dwight** to process the appropriate paperwork and certificate.

- b. Perry Jackson: I/C application.
- b. Perry has previously been an I/C, but lost that status when he did not attend any of the EMT-B rollout classes in the mid 90's. He would like to become an I/C again. Because the rollouts presented a major shift in philosophy in education at the EMT-B level, it will be left to Perry to provide documentation of recent instructor training that would include this new educational philosophy. Jim Caron will relay this information to Perry, and will work with him as necessary.
- b. **Jim Caron** to work with Perry on this issue.

- c. Spinal Assessment Protocol
- c. Paul informed the committee that Tri-County would be working on an educational document for the new Spinal Assessment Protocol. Because several other regions also had the same intent, it was decided to have an ad hoc meeting for those interested to work on this educational document. Since the Education Committee will not
- c. Those interested in working on this educational document to meet as an ad hoc group in March. **Paul M.** to invite Dr. Burton to this group meeting.

be meeting in March, it was decided that this ad hoc group would meet at Maine EMS during the regular Education Committee time in March. Paul will invite Dr. Burton to participate with this group.

The meeting adjourned at 1050

Next Meeting: April 10, 2002 9:00 am - noon

The Ad Hoc group will meet on March 13, 2002 9:00 am – noon at Maine EMS